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SUBJ: CCD - 728TH PLENARY MEETING, FEB 15, 1977

1. SUMMARY: THE 728TH PLENARY MEETING OF THE CCD CONVENED
FOR THE OPENING OF THE SPRING SESSION ON FEB 15.
JAPANESE REP (OGISO) CHAIRED THE MEETING. BRIEF OPENING
REMARKS WERE MADE BY THE SECY GENERAL'S SPECIAL
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CCD (HYARINEN). OPENING STATEMENTS
WERE DELIVERED BY THE USSR, US, MEXICO AND ITALY. END SUMMARY.

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2. SYG'S SPECIAL REP OPENED WITH A CHALLENGE TO THE CCD
TO MAKE A "VERY DETERMINED EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A CTB" SO AS
TO MAKE REAL PROGRESS TOWARD DISARMAMENT. HE CITED THE
MANY DISARMAMENT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE 31ST UNGA,
WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON THOSE WHICH REQUEST THE CCD TO
GIVE CONSIDERATION TO SPECIFIC ISSUES. IN HIS REMARKS ON
CW, HE CALLED FOR A BAN ON THE "MOST LETHAL WEAPONS."

3. SOVIET REP (LIKHACHEV), IN THE FIRST OPENING STATEMENT, BEGAN BY STATING THAT THE USSR ATTACHES GREAT IMPORTANCE TO COOPERATION WITH THE US. AS AT THE 31ST UNGA, THE SOVIETS DISTRIBUTED A MEMORANDUM ON DISARMAMENT ISSUES IN CONJUNCTION WITH SOVIET REP'S OPENING STATEMENT WHICH FOCUSED ON THE IMPORTANCE THEY ASCRIBED YKMDW, AND CW. SOVIET REP ALSO ADDRESSED UCH ISSUES AS NON-USE OF FORCE AND CONVOCAION OF A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. SOVIET REP REITERATED THE SOVIET POSITION THAT NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS COULD PROVIDE ADEQUATE VERIFICATION OF A CTB, BUT WHEN REFERRING TO THE IDEA OF CHALLENGE INSPECTION, WHICH WAS MENTIONED IN THE SOVIET MEMORANDUM CIRCULATED AT UNGA LAST FALL, OFFERED NO ELABORATIONS. NOTHING NEW WAS SAID RE MDW BUT SOVIET REP DID USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PROPOSE MARCH 14 STARTING DATE FOR THE INFORMAL MEETINGS ON MDW. CW REMARKS WERE STANDARD FARE EXCEPT FOR A REFERENCE TO VERIFICATION "BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS SUPPLEMENTED BY CERTAIN INTERNATIONAL PROCEDURES."

4. US REP'S OPENING STATEMENT FOLLOWED.

5. AS IN THE PAST, MEXICAN REP (GARCIA-ROBLES) SPOKE NEXT AND COMMENTED AT LENGTH ON TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TREATY OF TLATELOLCO AND REFERRED APPROVINGLY TO SUNDRY ARMS CONTROL STATEMENTS MADE BY PRESIDENT CARTER. MOVING ON TO PROCEDURAL ISSUES, MEXICAN REP CALLED FOR ABOLITION OF CO-CHAIRMANSHIP AND DAILY ROTATING CHAIR IN FAVOR OF SYSTEM ALONG LINES USED AT NPT REVCON. IN THE CCD CONTEXT, EACH BLOCK WOULD DESIGNATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A PERSON TO SERVE FOR A THREE YEAR TERM, ONE YEAR AS CHAIRMAN, AND TWO YEARS AS "VICE-CHAIRMAN". THIS TROIKA WOULD CONSTITUTE THE "BUREAU OF THE CCD". MEXICAN REP ADDED CAVEAT THAT NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO PRESIDE. HE CITED CTB AND CW AS PRIORITY ISSUES BUT DID NOT ELABORATE NEW MEXICAN VIEWS. MEXICAN REP ALSO USED FLOOR OF CCD TO CONDEMN ENMOD TREATY, IN MUCH THE SAME MANNER AS IN HIS UNGA SPEECH LAST FALL. IN AN ATTEMPT TO LEND SWAY TO HIS ARGUMENT, MEXICAN REP CITED VOTE OF FORTY-NINE FOR, FORTY-TWO AGAINST, AND THIRTY-FIVE ABSTENTIONS, "A NARROW MARGIN," AS DECIDING ENMOD ISSUE AT UNGA.

6. THE ITALIAN (DIBERNARDO) SPOKE LAST, PROPOSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AD HOC WORKING GROUP TO CONSIDER CW ISSUES, PARTICULARLY THE UK DRAFT, AND COMPILATION OF ALL AVAILABLE CCD DATA ON CW. HE SAID THAT THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ATTACHES PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE TO THE CCD'S CONCLUSION OF AN AGREEMENT ON A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN. ON MDW, HE SAID THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE INFORMAL

MEETINGS ON MDW AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT THIS YEAR'S SESSION
ON MDW COULD MOVE TOWARD DISPELLING THE LEGITIMATE
QUALMS OF SOME CCD MEMBERS.

7. THE NEXT PLENARY SESSION OF THE CCD WILL BE HELD
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